OFFICE OF TEXTILES AND APPAREL (OTEXA)

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Hong Kong

The following information is provided only as a guide and should be confirmed with the proper authorities before embarking on any export activities.

Import Tariffs

The Hong Kong Special Administrative Region of the People's Republic of China (HKSAR of the PRC) is a free port and does not levy any customs tariff on imports.

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For information on local customs requirements and documentation, see:

- Customs and Excise Department
- Trade and Industry Department TID

Standards

Premises, such as hotels, guest houses, karaoke, and entertainment venues, must comply with Hong Kong Government's Fire Services' Code of Practice, which requires that textile products such as carpets, mattresses and curtains comply with flame-retardant standards (Class 1 or 2 Rate of Surface Spread of Flame according to British Standard 476: Part 7 or its international equivalent.) These regulations do not apply to home furnishings and non-licensed commercial premises.

The Consumer Goods Safety Ordinance (Cap 456) requires that all consumer goods manufactured, imported or supplied for consumption in Hong Kong satisfy the general safety requirements or any prescribed safety standards. Compliance with the following standards would be considered as having satisfied the "general safety requirement" where flammability is concerned for mattress and upholstered furniture:

- Mattresses Specification established in the United States Code of Federal Regulations 16 CFR 1632 Standards for the flammability of mattresses and mattress pads (FF 4-72, amended); Specification established in the United States California Law, California Business and Professions Code, Division 8, Chapter 3 for mattresses BS 7177:1996
- Upholstered furniture AS/NZ 4088.1:1996; Specification established in the United States California Law, California Business and Professions Code, Division 8, Chapter 3 for upholstered furniture
- · Toys and children's products are subject to special regulations, standards and conformity assessment mechanisms.

Local standards organization and other resources:

- Product Standards Information Bureau PSIB
- · Hong Kong Innovation and Technology Commission ITC

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